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Staff Meeting Minutes of 29 September 1980	
The Director was at an NSC meeting on the Iran/Iraq situation; Mr. Carlucci chaired the meeting.	25>
McMahon highlighted a cable from Managua advising that the Ambassador there believes the FSLN is "falling apart" and predicts a coup in the near future. He also related that he wishes to see Mr. Carlucci during his forthcoming visit to Washington and believes it is important for Nicaragua to receive the \$75M in U.S. assistance.	25)
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McMahon reported that a Soviet helicopter in Afghanistan has been shot down by an SA-7, a first.	25>
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McMahon said that the Soviets are	25
obtaining U.S. computer technology by simply writing to various U.S. companies requesting materials be sent to a post office box.	25
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Hitz noted that the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Inter-American Affairs is scheduled to be briefed on Nicaragua on 30 September and noted that NSC Staffer Bob Pastor is providing some unwelcome coaching to Al of NFAC. He noted that DIA and INR are participating in the briefing, and Mr. Carlucci endorsed Clarke's view that would attend for us. Hitz noted that the Senate Energy and Natural Resource Committee is scheduled to be briefed by \overline{OER} tomorrow on the impact of the Iran/Iraq conflict on oil supplies. Hitz noted the possibility that the Conference Report on our authorization may be scheduled today. Later in the meeting, Silver noted he is looking into the Attorney General's ruling that funds can only be expended under a Continuing Resolution to close down an operation or organization, (for Comptroller) noted that they were developing related contingency papers for Mr. Carlucci's signature. Hitz said we are in receipt of a firm request from the SSCI to brief the Committee on the case and noted their particular interest in focusing on our procedures for making a determination that the FBI be asked to conduct a security investigation of any leak. Mr. Carlucci suggested that SA/DCI and C/CI provide the briefing. Silver reported that attorneys for Kampiles have filed for a new trial and a reduction of sentence. He went on to highlight work underway to rebutt the attorneys' argumentation. Silver noted receipt of a letter from the Attorney General that all CIA procedures approved by former Attorney General Bell under the provisions of E.O. 12036 are, in effect, reapproved until 31 December or until such time as the Director and the Attorney General have approved revised versions.

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